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Statement of Substance of Interview

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/854,556 Attorney Docket No. NEC.204 (166539/00)

#### Examiner Backer

Enclosed is a Statement of Substance of Interview, which we request be made of record, for the telephone interview conducted on October 14, 2005.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

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## STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

In response to the requirement that a statement of the substance of an interview be placed in the record, Applicant hereby submits the following.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges Examiner Backer for taking time from his busy schedule to conduct a telephone interview on October 14, 2005, for the above-referenced Application. The Examiner requested that the preamble language in claim 17 (and 24) be changed from "A signal-bearing medium ..." to "A storage medium ..."

Applicant's representative provided approval of this change, which change the Examiner agreed to accomplish by Examiner's Amendment.

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